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Representing Santa Barbara IRWMP

We find the August 1 due date for the Step 1 application EXTREMELY hard to comply with. We are focusing on finishing the IRWMP and getting approvals and that leaves us with very little (under one month) to complete the Step 1.

Could you reconsider extending by 1 month.

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Subject: Comments on Prop 50 IRWMP Guidelines for Round 2

Message to: Norman Shopay, DWR and Scott Couch, SWRCB

6/5/07 Bd Mtg ITEM
IRWM Rnd. 2 Guidelines
Deadline: 5/31/07

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Re: Public Review Draft (April 2007) of "Proposition 50 Chapter 8 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines Proposal Solicitation Packages, Round 2"

Dear Mr. Shopay and Mr. Couch:

The Santa Barbara County Water Agency, on behalf of the twenty-nine local agencies ("Cooperating Partners") that have developed the *Santa Barbara Countywide Integrated Regional Water Management Plan*, submits these comments on the draft Proposition 50 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines.

1. We appreciate the State's effort to expedite Round 2 funding and to clarify and simplify both the Guidelines and the grant application process itself.
2. The deadline for submitting the Step 1 application should be postponed beyond August 1st, and preferably to September 15th. Prior to preparing the Step 1 proposal package, we need sufficient lead time to award contract(s) for consultant support, as well as to obtain approvals from our Board(s) to fund and staff the Step 1 application process. Considerable lead time is required, especially during summer months when fewer Board meetings are scheduled. If the Step 1 application submittal date is postponed, we hope the State could retain the November timeframe for its "call back" meeting.
3. The Step 2 application deadline should be at the very end of January, if not later. Otherwise, we will encounter the same scheduling and timing issues in seeking Board approvals during the December/January timeframe as we now face in the June/July period.

Santa Barbara County Water Agency's Manager, Robert Almy, will be meeting with your agencies on May 25th in Sacramento to discuss our IRWMP and the status of our effort to develop a Round 2 proposal package. If you also wish to discuss our comments at that time, he would be happy to talk about them.

Thank you for considering our comments.

Sincerely,

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